

Mr. Ferrell's Book Blog #1 - Book Review

Your Name:

Book and Author:

Instructions

- You will write a three part book review about the book you have chosen.
- Be sure to use your own voice when writing.
- Write your review using Microsoft Word and then paste into your book blog when you're ready for your peers to see what you have written.

Part #1 - Introduction

- Capture your reader's attention! Use a creative hook to entice your audience to read your book review.
- How are you going to make them want to finish reading your review?

Part #2 - Book Review

- Explain the novel's strengths regarding the plot, characters, and setting. Be careful not to spoil the book for someone who hasn't read the book yet!
 - **Plot:** problem or conflict, climax, and resolution

Part #3 - Your Recommendation (Opinion)

- Describe your feelings about the book. Should your peers read this book? Remember to explain why! Be sure to explain what type of reader will enjoy this book and why.

Peer Conference

- Publish your work to your Book Blog page for this book.
- When you are finished with your rough draft please choose two other students to peer edit your review.
- Ask the readers to give you advice to make your writing better and have them edit the review for conventions.
- Be sure to follow the format discussed in class when posting to your Book Blog.

Extra Notes

- After publishing on your Book Blog remember to find a picture of the cover of the book and insert that into your blog.
- Include a link for your audience to purchase the book after reading your review.
 - Amazon, Borders, or Barnes and Noble
- You may earn one point of **EXTRA CREDIT** can be earned for each person outside of our class you show your Book Blog to and have **THEM** leave a discussion comment on your book review page.

Grading Rubric

15 points possible for this assignment!

Part #1

- 1 - Doesn't follow directions or grab the attention of the reader.
- 2 - Sort of grabs attention of the reader.
- 3 - Wow! I want to keep reading!

Part #2

- 1 - Doesn't follow directions in explaining the plot, characters, and setting.
- 2 - Sort of follows directions and explains at least two out of three.
- 3 - Follows directions and completely explains the plot, characters, and setting of the novel without spoiling the book for the audience.

Part #3

- 1 - Doesn't follow directions.
- 2 - Follow directions but doesn't explain why the writer feels the way they do.
- 3 - Follows directions and thoroughly explains the writers reasoning for their opinions.

Conventions

- 1 - More than four grammar or spelling errors.
- 2 - 1-3 grammar or spelling errors.
- 3 - Zero grammar or spelling errors.

Wiki Presentation

- 1 - Doesn't follow directions and doesn't look professional.
- 2 - Wiki page contains some errors but an effort has been made.
- 3 - Wiki page looks professionally made and is ready for the world to see!

Final Grade (Before Extra Credit)

